

# NECESSARY AND SUFFICIENT CONDITIONS FOR BOUNDEDNESS OF COMMUTATORS OF THE GENERAL FRACTIONAL INTEGRAL OPERATORS ON WEIGHTED MORREY SPACES

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**ABSTRACT.** We prove that  $b$  is in  $Lip_\beta(\beta)$  if and only if the commutator  $[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]$  of the multiplication operator by  $b$  and the general fractional integral operator  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is bounded from the weighed Morrey space  $L^{p,k}(\omega)$  to  $L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)$ , where  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - (\alpha + \beta)/n$ ,  $0 \leq k < p/q$ ,  $\omega^{q/p} \in A_1$  and  $r_\omega > \frac{1-k}{p/q-k}$ , and here  $r_\omega$  denotes the critical index of  $\omega$  for the reverse Hölder condition.

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND MAIN RESULTS

Suppose that  $L$  is a linear operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  which generates an analytic semigroup  $e^{-tL}$  with a kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  satisfying a Gaussian upper bound, that is,

$$(1) \quad |p_t(x, y)| \leq \frac{C}{t^{n/2}} e^{-c \frac{|x-y|^2}{t}}$$

for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and all  $t > 0$ . Since we assume only upper bound on heat kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  and no regularity on its space variables, this property (1) is satisfied by a class of differential operator, see [1] for details.

For  $0 < \alpha < n$ , the general fractional integral  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  of the operator  $L$  is defined by

$$L^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{2})} \int_0^\infty e^{-tL} f \frac{dt}{t^{-\alpha/2+1}}(x).$$

Note that if  $L = -\Delta$  is the Laplacian on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is the classical fractional integral  $I_\alpha$  which plays important roles in many fields. Let  $b$  be a locally integrable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the commutator of  $b$  and  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is defined by

$$[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f(x) = b(x)L^{-\alpha/2}f(x) - L^{-\alpha/2}(bf)(x).$$

For the special case of  $L = -\Delta$ , many results have been produced. Paluszynski [7] obtained that  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if the commutator  $[b, I_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^r(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , where  $1 < p < r < \infty$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$  and  $1/p - 1/r = (\alpha + \beta)/n$  with  $p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ . Shirai [9] proved that  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if and only if the commutator  $[b, I_\alpha]$  is bounded from the classical Morrey spaces  $L^{p,\lambda}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{q,\lambda}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $1 < p < q < \infty$ ,  $0 < \alpha$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$  and  $0 < \alpha + \beta = (1/p - 1/q)(n - \lambda) < n$  or  $L^{p,\lambda}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{q,\mu}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $1 < p < q < \infty$ ,  $0 < \alpha$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha + \beta = (1/p - 1/q) < n$ ,  $0 < \lambda < n - (\alpha + \beta)p$  and  $\mu/q = \lambda/p$ . Wang [12] established some weighted boundedness of properties of commutator  $[b, I_\alpha]$  on

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the weighted Morrey spaces  $L^{p,k}$  under appropriated conditions on the weight  $\omega$ , where the symbol  $b$  belongs to (weighted) Lipschitz spaces. The weighted Morrey space was first introduced by Komori and Shirai [5]. For the general case, Wang [13] proved that if  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then the commutator  $[b, I_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $L^p(\omega^p)$  to  $L^q(\omega^q)$ , where  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ ,  $1/p - 1/q = (\alpha + \beta)/n$  and  $\omega^q \in A_1$ .

The purpose of this paper is to give necessary and sufficient conditions for boundedness of commutators of the general fractional integrals with  $b \in Lip_\beta(\omega)$  (the weighted Lipschitz space). Our theorems are the following:

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < \frac{n}{\alpha + \beta}$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - (\alpha + \beta)/n$ ,  $0 \leq k < \min\{p/q, p\beta/n\}$  and  $\omega^q \in A_1$ . Then we have*

- (a) *If  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]$  is bounded from  $L^{p,k}(\omega^p, \omega^q)$  to  $L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)$ ;*
- (b) *If  $[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]$  is bounded from  $L^{p,k}(\omega^p, \omega^q)$  to  $L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)$ , then  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $0 < \beta < 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < \frac{n}{\alpha + \beta}$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - (\alpha + \beta)/n$ ,  $0 \leq k < p/q$ ,  $\omega^{q/p} \in A_1$  and  $r_\omega > \frac{1-k}{p/q-k}$ , where  $r_\omega$  denotes the critical index of  $\omega$  for the reverse Hölder condition. Then we have*

- (a) *If  $b \in Lip_\beta(\omega)$ , then  $[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]$  is bounded from  $L^{p,k}(\omega)$  to  $L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)$ ;*
- (b) *If  $[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]$  is bounded from  $L^{p,k}(\omega)$  to  $L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)$ , then  $b \in Lip_\beta(\omega)$ .*

Our results not only extend the results of [12] from  $(-\Delta)$  to a general operator  $L$ , but also characterize the (weighted) Lipschitz spaces by means of the boundedness of  $[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]$  on the weighted Morrey spaces, which extend the results of [12] and [13]. The basic tool is based on a modification of sharp maximal function  $M_L^\sharp$  introduced by [6].

Throughout this paper all notation is standard or will be defined as needed. Denote the Lebesgue measure of  $B$  by  $|B|$  and the weighted measure of  $B$  by  $\omega(B)$ , where  $\omega(B) = \int_B \omega(x)dx$ . For a measurable set  $E$ , denote by  $\chi_E$  the characteristic function of  $E$ . For a real number  $p$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , let  $p'$  be the dual of  $p$  such that  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$ . The letter  $C$  will be used for various constants, and may change from one occurrence to another.

## 2. SOME PRELIMINARIES

A non-negative function  $\omega$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called weight if it is locally integral. A weight  $\omega$  is said to belong to the Muckenhoupt class  $A_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ , if there exists a constant  $C$  such that

$$\left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x)dx \right) \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x)^{-\frac{1}{p-1}} dx \right)^{p-1} \leq C.$$

for every ball  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . The class  $A_1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is defined replacing the above inequality by

$$\left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x)dx \right) \leq C \operatorname{ess\,inf}_{x \in B} \omega(x).$$

When  $p = \infty$ ,  $\omega \in A_\infty$ , if there exist positive constants  $\delta$  and  $C$  such that given a ball  $B$  and  $E$  is a measurable subset of  $B$ , then

$$\frac{\omega(E)}{\omega(B)} \leq C \left( \frac{|E|}{|B|} \right)^\delta.$$

A weight function  $\omega$  belongs to  $A_{p,q}$  for  $1 < p < q < \infty$  if for every ball  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , there exists a positive constant  $C$  which is independent of  $B$  such that

$$\left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x)^q dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x)^{-p'} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \leq C.$$

From the definition of  $A_{p,q}$ , we can get that

$$(2) \quad \omega \in A_{p,q} \text{ if and only if } \omega^q \in A_{1+q/p'}.$$

Since  $\omega^{q/p} \in A_1$ , then by (2), we have  $\omega^{1/p} \in A_{p,q}$ .

A weight function  $\omega$  belongs to the reverse Hölder class  $RH_r$  if there exist two constants  $r > 1$  and  $C > 0$  such that the following reverse Hölder inequality

$$\left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x)^r dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq C \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \omega(x) dx$$

holds for every ball  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

It is well known that if  $\omega \in A_p$  with  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then there exists  $r > 1$  such that  $\omega \in RH_r$ . It follows from Hölders inequality that  $\omega \in RH_r$  implies  $\omega \in RH_s$  for all  $1 < s < r$ . Moreover, if  $\omega \in RH_r, r > 1$ , then we have  $\omega \in RH_{r+\epsilon}$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$ . We thus write  $r_w = \sup\{r > 1 : \omega \in RH_r\}$  to denote the critical index of  $\omega$  for the reverse Hölder condition. For more details on Muchenhaupt class  $A_{p,q}$ , we refer the reader to [3], [10] and [11].

**Definition 2.1.** ([5]) Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $0 \leq k < 1$ . Then for two weights  $\mu$  and  $\nu$ , the weighted Morrey space is defined by

$$L^{p,k}(\mu, \nu) = \{f \in L_{loc}^p(\mu) : \|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\mu, \nu)} < \infty\},$$

where

$$\|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\mu, \nu)} = \sup_B \left( \frac{1}{\nu(B)^k} \int_B |f(x)|^p \mu(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

and the supremum is taken over all balls  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

If  $\mu = \nu$ , then we have the classical Morrey space  $L^{p,k}(\mu)$  with measure  $\mu$ . When  $k = 0$ , then  $L^{p,k}(\mu, \nu) = L^p(\mu)$  is the Lebesgue space with measure  $\mu$ .

**Definition 2.2.** ([2]) Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$ , and  $\omega \in A_\infty$ . A locally integral function  $b$  is said to be in  $Lip_\beta^p(\omega)$  if

$$\|b\|_{Lip_\beta^p(\omega)} = \sup_B \frac{1}{\omega(B)^{\beta/n}} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(B)} \int_B |b(x) - b_B|^p \omega(x)^{1-p} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq C < \infty,$$

where  $b_B = |B|^{-1} \int_B b(y) dy$  and the supremum is taken over all ball  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . When  $p = 1$ , we denote  $Lip_\beta^p(\omega)$  by  $Lip_\beta(\omega)$ .

Obviously, for the case  $\omega = 1$ , then the  $Lip_\beta^p(\omega)$  space is the classical  $Lip_\beta^p$  space.

**Remark 2.1.** Let  $\omega \in A_1$ , García-Cuerva [2] proved that the spaces  $\|f\|_{Lip_\beta^p(\omega)}$  coincide, and the norm of  $\|\cdot\|_{Lip_\beta^p(\omega)}$  are equivalent with respect to different values of  $\omega$  provided that  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

Given a locally integrable function  $f$  and  $\beta$ ,  $0 \leq \beta < n$ , define the fractional maximal function by

$$M_{\beta,r}f(x) = \sup_{x \in B} \left( \frac{1}{|B|^{1-\beta r/n}} \int_B |f(y)|^r dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}, \quad r \geq 1,$$

when  $0 < \beta < n$ . If  $\beta = 0$  and  $r = 1$ , then  $M_{0,1}f = Mf$  denotes the usual Hardy-Littlewood maximal function.

Let  $\omega$  be a weight. The weighted maximal operator  $M_\omega$  is defined by

$$M_\omega f(x) = \sup_{x \in B} \frac{1}{\omega(B)} \int_B |f(y)| dy.$$

The fractional weighted maximal operator  $M_{\beta,r,\omega}$  is defined by

$$M_{\beta,r,\omega}f(x) = \sup_{x \in B} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(B)^{1-\beta r/n}} \int_B |f(y)|^r \omega(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r}},$$

where  $0 \leq \beta < n$  and  $r \geq 1$ . For any  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , the sharp maximal function  $M_L^\sharp f$  associated the generalized approximations to the identity  $\{e^{-tL}, t > 0\}$  is given by Martell [6] as follows:

$$M_L^\sharp f(x) = \sup_{x \in B} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |f(y) - e^{-t_B L} f(y)| dy,$$

where  $t_B = r_B^2$  and  $r_B$  is the radius of the ball  $B$ . For  $0 < \delta < 1$ , we introduce the  $\delta$ -sharp maximal operator  $M_{L,\delta}^\sharp$  as

$$M_{L,\delta}^\sharp f = M_L^\sharp(|f|^\delta)^{1/\delta},$$

which is a modification of the sharp maximal operator  $M^\sharp$  of Fefferman and Stein ([10]). Set  $M_\delta f = M(|f|^\delta)^{1/\delta}$ . Using the same methods as those of [10] and [8], we can get

**Lemma 2.1.** *Assume that the semigroup  $e^{-tL}$  has a kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  which satisfies the upper bound (1). Let  $\lambda > 0$  and  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for some  $1 < p < \infty$ . Suppose that  $\omega \in A_\infty$ , then for every  $0 < \eta < 1$ , there exists a real number  $\gamma > 0$  independent of  $\gamma$ ,  $f$  such that we have the following weighted version of the local good  $\lambda$  inequality, for  $\eta > 0$ ,  $A > 1$ ,*

$$\omega\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : M_\delta f > A\lambda, M_{L,\delta}^\sharp f(x) \leq \gamma\lambda\} \leq \eta\omega\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : M_\delta f(x) > \lambda\}.$$

where  $A > 1$  is a fixed constant which depends only on  $n$ .

If  $\mu, \nu \in A_\infty, 1 < p < \infty, 0 \leq k < 1$ , then

$$(3) \quad \|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\mu,\nu)} \leq \|M_\delta f\|_{L^{p,k}(\mu,\nu)} \leq C \|M_{L,\delta}^\sharp f\|_{L^{p,k}(\mu,\nu)}.$$

In particular, when  $\mu = \nu = \omega$  and  $\omega \in A_\infty$ , we have

$$(4) \quad \|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)} \leq \|M_\delta f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)} \leq C \|M_{L,\delta}^\sharp f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)}.$$

### 3. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.1

To prove Theorem 1.1, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 3.1.** ([1]) *Assume that the semigroup  $e^{-tL}$  has a kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  which satisfies the upper bound (1). Then for  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , the difference operator  $L^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}} - e^{-tL} L^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}$  has an associated kernel  $K_{\alpha,t}(x, y)$  which satisfies*

$$K_{\alpha,t}(x, y) \leq \frac{C}{|x - y|^{n-\alpha}} \frac{t}{|x - y|^2}.$$

**Lemma 3.2.** ([12]) *Let  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - (\alpha + \beta)/n$  and  $\omega \in A_1$ . Then for every  $0 < k < p/q$  and  $1 < r < p$ , we have*

$$\|M_{\alpha+\beta,r}f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{p,q}(\omega^p,\omega^q)}.$$

**Lemma 3.3.** ([5]) *Let  $0 < \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < n/\beta$ ,  $1/s = 1/p - \beta/n$  and  $\omega \in A_{p,s}$ . Then for every  $0 < k < p/s$ , we have*

$$\|M_{\beta,1}f\|_{L^{s,ks/p}(\omega^s)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega^p,\omega^s)}.$$

**Lemma 3.4.** ([12]) *Let  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ ,  $1/s = 1/q - \beta/n$  and  $\omega^q \in A_1$ . Then for every  $0 < k < p/s$ , we have*

$$\|M_{\beta,1}f\|_{L^{s,ks/p}(\omega^s)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q,\omega^s)}.$$

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$ ,  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ ,  $1/s = 1/q - \beta/n$  and  $\omega^q \in A_1$ . Then for every  $0 < k < p\beta/n$ , we have*

$$\|L^{-\alpha/2}f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q,\omega^s)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega^p,\omega^s)}.$$

*Proof.* As before, we know that  $L^{-\alpha/2}f(x) \leq CI_\alpha(|f|)(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Together with the result (cf. [12]), that is,

$$\|I_\alpha f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q,\omega^s)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega^p,\omega^s)},$$

we can get the desired result.  $\square$

**Remark 3.1.** *Using the boundedness property of  $I_\alpha$ , we also know  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is bounded from  $L^1$  to weak  $L^{n/(n-\alpha)}$ . It is easy to check that Lemma 3.2-3.5 also hold when  $k = 0$ .*

The following lemma plays an important role in the proof of Theorem 1.1.

**Lemma 3.6.** *Let  $0 < \delta < 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha < n$ ,  $0 < \beta < 1$  and  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then for all  $r > 1$  and for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & M_{L,\delta}^\sharp([b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f)(x) \\ & \leq C\|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)} \left( M_{\beta,1}(L^{-\alpha/2}f)(x) + M_{\alpha+\beta,r}f(x) + M_{\alpha+\beta,1}f(x) \right). \end{aligned}$$

The same method of proof as that of Lemma 4.6 (see below), we omit the details.

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* We first prove (a). We only prove Theorem 1.1 in the case  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . For the general case  $0 < \alpha < n$ , the method is the same as that of [1]. We omit the details.

For  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$  and  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ , we can find a number  $r$  such that  $1 < r < p$ . By Eq.(4) and Lemma 3.6, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \| [b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} \\ & \leq C\|M_{L,\delta}^\sharp([b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f)\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} \\ & \leq C\|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \|M_{\beta,1}(L^{-\alpha/2}f)\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \|M_{\alpha+\beta,r}f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} + \|M_{\alpha+\beta,1}f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $1/q_1 = 1/p - \alpha/n$  and  $1/q = 1/q_1 - \beta/n$ . Since  $\omega^q \in A_1$ , then by Eq.(2), we have  $\omega \in A_{p,q}$ . Since  $0 < k < \min\{p/q, p\beta/n\}$ , by Lemmas 3.2–3.5, we yield that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| [b, L^{-\alpha/2}] f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q)} \\ & \leq C \| b \|_{Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)} \left( \| L^{-\alpha/2} f \|_{L^{q_1,kq_1/p}(\omega^{q_1}, \omega^q)} + \| f \|_{L^{p,k}(\omega^p, \omega^q)} \right) \\ & \leq C \| b \|_{Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)} \| f \|_{L^{p,k}(\omega^p, \omega^q)}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we prove (b). Let  $L = -\Delta$  be the Laplacian on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is the classical fractional integral  $I_\alpha$ . Let  $k = 0$  and weight  $\omega \equiv 1$ , then  $L^{p,k}(\omega^p, \omega^q) = L^p$  and  $L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^q, \omega) = L^q$ . From [7], the  $(L^p, L^q)$  bounedness of  $[b, I_\alpha]$  implies that  $b \in Lip_\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Thus Theorem 1.1 is proved.  $\square$

#### 4. PROOF OF THEOREM 1.2

We also need some Lemmas to prove Theorem 1.2.

**Lemma 4.1.** ([12]) *Let  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n, 1 < p < \frac{n}{\alpha+\beta}, 1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n, 1/s = 1/q - \beta/n$  and  $\omega^{s/p} \in A_1$ . Then if  $0 < k < p/s$  and  $r_\omega > \frac{1}{p/q-k}$ , we have*

$$\| M_{\beta,1} f \|_{L^{s,kq/p}(\omega^{s/p}, \omega)} \leq C \| f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)}.$$

**Lemma 4.2.** ([12]) *Let  $0 < \alpha < n, 1 < p < n/\alpha, 1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$  and  $\omega^{q/p} \in A_1$ . Then if  $0 < k < p/q$  and  $r_\omega > \frac{1-k}{p/q-k}$ , we have*

$$\| M_{\alpha,1} f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)} \leq C \| f \|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)}.$$

**Lemma 4.3.** ([12]) *Let  $0 < \alpha < n, 1 < p < n/\alpha, 1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n, 0 < k < p/q, \omega \in A_\infty$ . For any  $1 < r < p$ , we have*

$$\| M_{\alpha,r,\omega} f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)} \leq C \| f \|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)}.$$

**Lemma 4.4.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < n, 1 < p < n/\alpha, 1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$  and  $\omega^{q/p} \in A_1$ . Then if  $0 < k < p/q$  and  $r_\omega > \frac{1-k}{p/q-k}$ , we have*

$$\| L^{-\alpha/2} f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)} \leq C \| f \|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)}.$$

*Proof.* Since the semigroup  $e^{-tL}$  has a kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  which satisfies the upper bound (1), it is easy to check that  $L^{-\alpha/2} f(x) \leq C I_\alpha(|f|)(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Using the boundedness property of  $I_\alpha$  on weighted Morrey space (cf. [12]), we have

$$\| L^{-\alpha/2} f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)} \leq \| I_\alpha f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)} \leq C \| f \|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)},$$

where  $1 < p < n/\alpha$  and  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha/n$ .  $\square$

**Remark 4.1.** *It is easy to check that the above lemmas also hold for  $k = 0$ .*

**Lemma 4.5.** *Assume that the semigroup  $e^{-tL}$  has a kernel  $p_t(x, y)$  which satisfies the upper bound (1), and let  $b \in Lip_\beta(\omega)$ ,  $\omega \in A_1$ . Then, for every function  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $p > 1$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $1 < r < \infty$ , we have*

$$\sup_{x \in B} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |e^{-tBL}(b(y) - b_B)f(y)| dy \leq C \| b \|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x) M_{\beta,r,\omega} f(x).$$

*Proof.* Fix  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $x \in B$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |e^{-t_B L}((b(\cdot) - b_B)f)(y)| dy \\
& \leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |p_{t_B}(y, z)| |(b(z) - b_B)f(z)| dz dy \\
& \leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \int_{2B} |p_{t_B}(y, z)| |(b(z) - b_B)f(z)| dz dy \\
& \quad + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B} |p_{t_B}(y, z)| |(b(z) - b_B)f(z)| dz dy \\
& \doteq \mathcal{M} + \mathcal{N}.
\end{aligned}$$

It follows from  $y \in B$  and  $z \in 2B$  that

$$|p_{t_B}(y, z)| \leq C t_B^{-n/2} \leq C \frac{1}{|2B|}.$$

Thus, Hölder's inequality and Definition 2.2 lead to

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{M} & \leq C \frac{1}{|2B|} \int_{2B} |(b(z) - b_B)f(z)| dz \\
& \leq C \frac{1}{|2B|} \left( \int_{2B} \|b(z) - b_B\|^{r'} \omega(z)^{1-r'} dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \left( \int_{2B} |f(z)|^r \omega(z) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_{\beta}(\omega)} \frac{1}{|2B|} \omega(2B)^{\frac{\beta}{n} + \frac{1}{r'}} \omega(2B)^{\frac{1}{r}} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(2B)} \int_{2B} |f(z)|^r \omega(z) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_{\beta}(\omega)} \frac{1}{|2B|} \omega(2B)^{\frac{\beta}{n} + 1} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(2B)} \int_{2B} |f(z)|^r \omega(z) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_{\beta}(\omega)} \omega(x) \left( \frac{1}{\omega(2B)^{1 - \frac{\beta r}{n}}} \int_{2B} |f(z)|^r \omega(z) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_{\beta}(\omega)} \omega(x) M_{\beta, r, \omega} f(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for any  $y \in B$  and  $z \in 2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B$ , we have  $|y - z| \geq 2^{k-1}r_B$  and  $|p_{t_B}| \leq C \frac{e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}2^{(k+1)n}}}{|2^{k+1}B|}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{N} & = \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{k+1}B \setminus 2^k B} |p_{t_B}(y, z)| |(b(z) - b_B)f(z)| dz dy \\
& \leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}2^{(k+1)n}}}{|2^{k+1}B|} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |(b(z) - b_B)f(z)| dz \\
& \leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}2^{(k+1)n}}}{|2^{k+1}B|} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |(b(z) - b_{2^{k+1}B})f(z)| dz \\
& \quad + C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}2^{(k+1)n}}}{|2^{k+1}B|} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |(b_{2^{k+1}B} - b_{2B})f(z)| dz \\
& \doteq \mathcal{N}_1 + \mathcal{N}_2.
\end{aligned}$$

We will estimate the values of terms  $\mathcal{N}_1$  and  $\mathcal{N}_2$ , respectively.

Using Hölder's inequality and Remark 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{N}_1 &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}} 2^{(k+1)n}}{|2^{k+1}B|} \\
&\quad \times \left( \int_{2^{k+1}B} |b(z) - b_B|^{r'} \omega(z)^{1-r'} dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \left( \int_{2^{k+1}B} |f(z)|^r \omega(z) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{(k+1)n} e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}} \\
&\quad \times \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \frac{\omega(2^{k+1}B)}{|2^{k+1}B|} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(2^{k+1}B)^{1-\beta r/n}} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |f(z)|^r \omega(z) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
&\leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x) M_{\beta,r,\omega} f(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\omega \in A_1$ , by the Hölder inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{N}_2 &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{(k+1)n} e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}} \frac{k}{|2^{k+1}B|^{1-\beta r/n}} \omega(x) \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |f(z)| dz \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k 2^{(k+1)n} e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}} \omega(x) \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \frac{1}{|2^{k+1}B|^{1-\beta r/n}} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |f(z)|^r dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
&= C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k 2^{(k+1)n} e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}} \\
&\quad \times \omega(x) \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \frac{\omega(2^{k+1}B)^{1-\beta r/n}}{|2^{k+1}B|^{1-\beta r/n}} \frac{1}{\omega(2^{k+1}B)^{1-\beta r/n}} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |f(z)|^r dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k 2^{(k+1)n} e^{-c2^{2(k-1)}} \omega(x) \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \frac{1}{\omega(2^{k+1}B)^{1-\beta r/n}} \int_{2^{k+1}B} |f(z)|^r \omega(x) dz \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
&\leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x) M_{\beta,r,\omega} f(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus Lemma 4.5 is proved.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.6.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ ,  $\omega \in A_1$  and  $b \in Lip_\beta(\omega)$ . Then for all  $r > 1$  and for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{L,\delta}^\sharp([b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f)(x) &\leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \\
&\quad \times \left( \omega(x)^{1+\frac{\beta}{n}} M_{\beta,1}(L^{-\alpha/2}f)(x) + \omega(x)^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}} M_{\alpha+\beta,r,\omega} f(x) + \omega(x)^{1+\frac{\beta}{n}} M_{\alpha+\beta,1} f(x) \right).
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* For any given  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , fix a ball  $B = B(x_0, r_B)$  which contains  $x$ . We decompose  $f = f_1 + f_2$ , where  $f_1 = f\chi_{2B}$ . Observe that

$$[b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f(x) = (b - b_B)L^{-\alpha/2}f - L^{-\alpha/2}(b - b_B)f_1 - L^{-\alpha/2}(b - b_B)f_2$$

and

$$e^{-t_B L}([b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f) = e^{-t_B L}[(b - b_B)L^{-\alpha/2}f - L^{-\alpha/2}(b - b_B)f_1 - L^{-\alpha/2}(b - b_B)f_2].$$



Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| [b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f(y) - e^{-t_B L} [b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f(y) \right|^\delta dy \right)^{1/\delta} \\
\leq & C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| (b(y) - b_B) L^{-\alpha/2} f(y) \right|^\delta dy \right)^{1/\delta} \\
& + C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| L^{-\alpha/2} (b(y) - b_B) f_1(y) \right|^\delta dy \right)^{1/\delta} \\
& + C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| e^{-t_B L} ((b(y) - b_B) L^{-\alpha/2} f)(y) \right|^\delta dy \right)^{1/\delta} \\
& + C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| e^{-t_B L} L^{-\alpha/2} ((b(y) - b_B) f_1(y)) \right|^\delta dy \right)^{1/\delta} \\
& + C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| (L^{-\alpha/2} - e^{-t_B L} L^{-\alpha/2}) ((b(y) - b_B) f_2(y)) \right|^\delta dy \right)^{1/\delta} \\
\doteq & I + II + III + IV + V.
\end{aligned}$$

We are going to estimate each term, respectively. Fix  $0 < \delta < 1$  and choose a real number  $\tau$  such that  $1 < \tau < 2$  and  $\tau'\delta < 1$ . Since  $\omega \in A_1$ , then it follows from Hölder's inequality that

$$\begin{aligned}
I & \leq C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |b(y) - b_B|^{\tau\delta} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{\tau\delta}} \left( \int_B |L^{-\alpha/2} f(y)|^{\tau'\delta} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{\tau'\delta}} \\
& \leq C \left( \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |b(y) - b_B| dy \right) \left( \int_B |L^{-\alpha/2} f(y)| dy \right) \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \frac{1}{|B|} \omega(B)^{1+\beta/n} \left( \int_B |L^{-\alpha/2} f(y)| dy \right) \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x)^{1+\beta/n} M_{\beta,1}(L^{-\alpha/2} f)(x).
\end{aligned}$$

For II, using Hölder's inequality and Kolmogorov's inequality(see[3], p.485), then we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
II & \leq C \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |L^{-\alpha/2} (b(y) - b_B) f_1(y)| dy \\
& \leq C \frac{1}{|B|} |B|^{\frac{\alpha}{n}} \|L^{-\alpha/2} (b(y) - b_B) f_1\|_{L^{\frac{n}{n-\alpha}}, \infty} \\
& \leq C \frac{1}{|B|^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}}} \int_B (b(y) - b_B) f_1(y) dy \\
& \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x)^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}} M_{\alpha+\beta, r, \omega} f(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Using Hölder's inequality and Lemma 4.5, we obtain that

$$III \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x) M_{\beta, r, \omega}(L^{-\alpha/2} f)(x).$$

For IV, using the estimate in II, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
IV &\leq \frac{C}{|B|} \int_B \int_{2B} |p_{t_B}(y, z)| |b(z) - b_B| |f(z)| dz dy \\
&\leq \frac{C}{|2B|} \int_{2B} L^{-\alpha/2} ((b(z) - b_B)) f(z) dz \\
&\leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x)^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}} M_{\alpha+\beta, r, \omega} f(x).
\end{aligned}$$

By virtue of Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
V &\leq \frac{C}{|B|} \int_B \int_{(2B)^c} |K_{\alpha, t_B}(y, z)| |(b(z) - b_B) f(z)| dz dy \\
&\leq \frac{C}{|B|} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^k r_B \leq |x_0 - z| < 2^{k+1} r_B} \frac{1}{|x_0 - z|^{n-\alpha}} \frac{r_B^2}{|x_0 - z|^2} |(b(z) - b_B) f(z)| dz \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-2k} \frac{1}{|2^{k+1} B|^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}}} \int_{2^{k+1} B} |(b(z) - b_B) f(z)| dz \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-2k} \frac{1}{|2^{k+1} B|^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}}} \int_{2^{k+1} B} |(b(z) - b_{2^{k+1} B}) f(z)| dz \\
&\quad + C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-2k} (b_{2^{k+1} B} - b_B) \frac{1}{|2^{k+1} B|^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}}} \int_{2^{k+1} B} |f(z)| dz \\
&\doteq VI + VII.
\end{aligned}$$

Making use of the same argument as that of II, we have

$$VI \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x)^{1-\alpha/n} M_{\alpha+\beta, r, \omega} f(x).$$

Note that  $\omega \in A_1$ ,

$$|b_{2^{k+1} B} - b_{2B}| \leq C k \omega(x) \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(2^{k+1} B)^{\beta/n}.$$

So, the value of VII can be controlled by

$$C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \omega(x)^{1+\beta/n} M_{\alpha+\beta, 1} f(x).$$

Combining the above estimates for I–V, we finish the proof of Lemma 4.6.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.2.* We first prove (a). As before, we only prove Theorem 1.2 in the case  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . For  $0 < \alpha + \beta < n$  and  $1 < p < n/(\alpha + \beta)$ , we can find a number  $r$  such that  $1 < r < p$ . By Lemma 4.6, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&\| [b, L^{-\alpha/2}] f \|_{L^{q, kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \\
&\leq C \|M_{L, \delta}^\#([b, L^{-\alpha/2}] f)\|_{L^{q, kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \\
&\leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \|\omega(\cdot)^{1+\frac{\beta}{n}} M_{\beta, 1}(L^{-\alpha/2} f)\|_{L^{q, kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \right. \\
&\quad + \|\omega(\cdot)^{1-\frac{\alpha}{n}} M_{\alpha+\beta, r, \omega} f\|_{L^{q, kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \\
&\quad \left. + \|\omega(\cdot)^{1+\frac{\beta}{n}} M_{\alpha+\beta, 1} f\|_{L^{q, kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \right) \\
&\leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \|M_{\beta, 1}(L^{-\alpha/2} f)\|_{L^{q, kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$+ \|M_{\alpha+\beta,r,\omega}f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega)} + \|M_{\alpha+\beta,1}f\|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{q/p}, \omega)}).$$

Let  $1/q_1 = 1/p - \alpha/n$  and  $1/q = 1/q_1 - \beta/n$ . Lemmas 4.1–4.4 yield that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| [b, L^{-\alpha/2}]f \|_{L^{q,kq/p}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \\ & \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \left( \|L^{-\alpha/2}f\|_{L^{q_1,kq_1/p}(\omega^{q_1/p}, \omega)} + \|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)} \right) \\ & \leq C \|b\|_{Lip_\beta(\omega)} \|f\|_{L^{p,k}(\omega)}. \end{aligned}$$

Now we prove (b). Let  $L = -\Delta$  be the Laplacian on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $L^{-\alpha/2}$  is the classical fractional integral  $I_\alpha$ . We use the same argument as Janson [4]. Choose  $Z_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $|Z_0| = 3$ . For  $x \in B(Z_0, 2)$ ,  $|x|^{-\alpha+n}$  can be written as the absolutely convergent Fourier series,  $|x|^{-\alpha+n} = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} a_m e^{i\langle \nu_m, x \rangle}$  with  $\sum_m |a_m| < \infty$  since  $|x|^{-\alpha+n} \in C^\infty(B(Z_0, 2))$ . For any  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\rho > 0$ , let  $B = B(x_0, \rho)$  and  $B_{Z_0} = B(x_0 + Z_0\rho, \rho)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_B |b(x) - b_{B_{Z_0}}| dx = \frac{1}{|B_{Z_0}|} \int_B \left| \int_{B_{Z_0}} (b(x) - b(y)) dy \right| dx \\ & = \frac{1}{\rho^n} \int_B s(x) \left( \int_{B_{Z_0}} (b(x) - b(y)) |x - y|^{-\alpha+n} |x - y|^{n-\alpha} dy \right) dx, \end{aligned}$$

where  $s(x) = \overline{\text{sgn} \left( \int_{B_{Z_0}} (b(x) - b(y)) dy \right)}$ . Fix  $x \in B$  and  $y \in B_{Z_0}$ , then  $(y - x)/\rho \in B_{Z_0, 2}$ , hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\rho^{-\alpha+n}}{\rho^n} \int_B s(x) \left( \int_{B_{Z_0}} (b(x) - b(y)) |x - y|^{-\alpha+n} \left( \frac{|x - y|}{\rho} \right)^{n-\alpha} dy \right) dx \\ & = \rho^{-\alpha} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} a_m \int_B s(x) \left( \int_{B_{Z_0}} (b(x) - b(y)) |x - y|^{n-\alpha} e^{i\langle \nu_m, y/\rho \rangle} dy \right) e^{-i\langle \nu_m, x/\rho \rangle} dx \\ & \leq \rho^{-\alpha} \left| \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |a_m| \int_B s(x) [b, L^{-\alpha/2}] \left( \chi_{B_{Z_0}} e^{i\langle \nu_m, \cdot/\rho \rangle} \right) \chi_B(x) e^{-i\langle \nu_m, x/\rho \rangle} dx \right| \\ & \leq \rho^{-\alpha} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |a_m| \| [b, L^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}] (\chi_{B_{Z_0}} e^{i\langle \nu_m, \cdot/\rho \rangle}) \|_{L^{q,0}(\omega^{1-(1-\alpha/n)q}, \omega)} \left( \int_B \omega(x)^{q'(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{\alpha}{n})} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \\ & \leq C \rho^{-\alpha} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |a_m| \| \chi_{B_{Z_0}} \|_{L^{p,0}(\omega)} \left( \int_B \omega(x)^{q'(1/q' - \alpha/n)} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \\ & \leq C \omega(B)^{1/p+1/q' - \alpha/n} = C \omega(B)^{1+\beta/n}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $b \in Lip_\beta(\omega)$ . Thus, (b) is proved.  $\square$

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